

Mr. P. Gopalan]

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative what step has been taken by them?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: (a) Yes.

(b) The work of repairs and improvements to the main building has already been taken up for execution, and is nearing completion.

Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker: May I know whether any engineering staff has been appointed to go into the question?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: Yes, Sir. An executive engineer has been appointed and he took charge last Friday.

Girl students in High Schools.

254. *Mr. P. Gopalan: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of girl students in the Vaikom English High School;

(b) whether there is any provision in the school for teaching music and sewing;

(c) whether they received any representation from Vaikom for the instruction of music and sewing in the Vaikom English High School; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) is in the affirmative, what steps have been taken by the Government?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: (a) 314 (including the M.H. Section.)

(b) No.

(c) Yes.

(d) The matter is under consideration.

Maintenance of school buildings.

255. *Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether any engineering staff has been sanctioned for the construction, repair and maintenance of school buildings throughout the State;

(b) if so, the date of Government order sanctioning the staff;

(c) whether any officer has taken charge of this important work; and

(d) whether any report has been made as to the several school buildings which require repairs and maintenance and immediate thatching?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : (a) Yes.

(b) June 1946.

(c) No,

(d) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (c) above.

New buildings for Primary Education.

256. ***Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether any special staff has been appointed to construct new buildings in the compulsory area for Primary Education ;

(b) if so, the date on which the officer took charge ; and

(c) the number of new buildings that have been put up for Primary Education purposes ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : (a) Yes.

(b) 30-3-46/17-8-1121 A. N.

(c) 12 Buildings have been completed and 32 are in different stages of construction in Nanjinad.

Primary Education.

257. ***Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are private schools, not surrendered, in the compulsory area for primary education ;

(b) if so, the names of managements under which those schools are run ; and

(c) whether the same concession and privileges are extended to those schools ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : (a) Yes.

(b) Roman Catholics.

(c) The question is not understood.

Primary Education census.

258. ***Mr. K. G. Narayana Panicker :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether census has been taken, according to the Primary Education Act ;

(b) if so, which was the agency employed to take the census ; and

(c) if any schedule was used, what were the details of the same ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : (a) Yes.

(b) Teachers in Primary Schools in the Compulsory area.

(c) Copies of the Schedules are placed on the Secretary's table.